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DIARY NOTES

21 March 1960

DD/S [REDACTED]

1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning the Director said that he did not find very useful the summary sheets which were prepared by the Cable Secretariat and attached to most of the cables going to him and suggested that, in the interest of saving people and time we dispense with them. It was agreed that I would ask the Management Staff to look into this matter right away and make recommendations as to what savings and reduction of personnel could be effected. (I have directed [REDACTED] to make such a study without delay. In this connection, I reminded him of the last study that we had made of the Cable Secretariat, at which time we examined the possibility of merging it with the Signal Center, and told him that as I remembered it the primary argument against this action was that the Signal Center was performing a mechanical function whereas the Cable Secretariat was performing a substantive function, and that the principal substantive function was the preparation of these summary sheets. I, therefore, suggested that in our current examination we might also review again the possibility of such a merger.) In this connection, the Director also mentioned that it would be very helpful if we didn't use as many pseudonyms, and, while I think that he looks upon this as one problem, [REDACTED] and I agreed that there were two separate problems and that the Management Staff should concern itself only with the first one.

2. [REDACTED] was at the Deputies' Meeting this morning, following which he raised with Bob Amory and me the question of housing [REDACTED]. Apparently, DD/I is sending over a new man [REDACTED] this summer who has no outside income and cannot afford to pay out of his own pocket the substantial expenses which Frank and others are paying to lease houses. I asked Bob to furnish me with the details on [REDACTED] so that I could take up this matter

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we have a specific case I think that we should press our point again.

3. Bob Amory and I also raised with [REDACTED] the possibility of sending a CIA man to the [REDACTED]. No decision was made on this and I agreed to raise the matter at the Deputies' Meeting on Wednesday morning.

4. I asked John Tietjen to talk with [REDACTED] in connection with his recommendation that we have an eighteen-month tour at [REDACTED] (John reported that he had discussed the matter [REDACTED] and that it was his understanding that Communications had revised an earlier memorandum, apparently now en route to me, so that it would provide essentially for an eighteen-month tour.

5. I talked to Jim Garrison about the exchange of correspondence between the Office of Logistics and the Management Staff concerning the Automatic Data Processing Committee. I said that while I did not fully understand why John wrote the letter in the first place the Logistics reply was about as bureaucratic as anything I had seen, that he should reacquaint

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his people with the purpose of the telephone and if, in the future, there were any disagreement between Logistics and another DD/S office about such matters they should be brought to my attention without any bureaucratic papers being exchanged between the two. 25X1A9a

6. I met with Gordon Stewart, [REDACTED] to discuss the Director of Personnel's comments on the Inspector General's Survey of the Office of Personnel and suggested minor changes which will be made and the report prepared in final form.

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7. [REDACTED] came to see me as a matter of some urgency to say that he had been approached by a number of "seniors" in the Agency who feared that [REDACTED] might be appointed Director of Personnel. He urged me on behalf of himself as well as these "seniors" not to allow such a thing to happen. I thanked him for his interest and told him that so far as I knew Ted was not under consideration for this position. 25X1A9a

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8. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] came to see me as a matter of urgency to ask for the appointment of an "Island Commander" for the new WH action project. After a brief discussion with them I concluded that initially the support problems for this project would be largely logistical. Therefore, I arranged for [REDACTED] to be the Support Officer for this project with the understanding that he would be replaced by someone of less seniority as soon as the initial major obstacles were overcome and this phase of the project was a relatively routine one. 25X1A9a

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9. [REDACTED] telephoned me to express his complete satisfaction with all of the Support people now working in the EE Division and to express his interest in having some of them serve with him when he takes over in the NE Division. I am going to have lunch with him tomorrow to discuss some of the personalities.

10. I returned the papers having to do with sculpture for the new building to Jim Garrison and told him that I had persuaded the Director that we should not commit any funds for this project prior to July, at which time we would have a much clearer understanding of what our change orders were going to cost. However, I do not want to wait until July to decide what we are going to do if and when the Director gives us the green light. Accordingly, I asked Jim to discuss the matter with the Public Buildings Service and Harrison and Abramovitz and tentatively decide on a sculptor as well as the scope of the contract which we would award. 25X1A9a

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11. I discussed with Matt Baird his proposal to reorganize [REDACTED] wherein [REDACTED] would become the [REDACTED] serving in this capacity [REDACTED] purposes only. I advised him of my recent conversation with Bob about this and suggested that he might want to reconsider the matter. He will have a talk with Bob and discuss the matter with me again at some later date. 25X1A9a

12. [REDACTED] was in to see me a few minutes and said that his primary purpose for being here was to ask for \$200,000 to be used in connection with the [REDACTED]

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